सी० पी० आई० (एम०) संसदीय दल के नेता हैं। अन्य मामले में बंगला नं० 3, कुशक रोड, श्री एम० पी० कौशिक, संसद् सदस्य (राज्य सभा) को आवंटित करने की पेशकश की है। तथापि, संसद् सदस्य को बंगले का कब्जा अभी नहीं दिया गया है, क्योंकि यह बंगला श्री दयानन्द सहाय, भूतपूर्व संसद् सदस्य के अनधिकृत कब्जे में है।

Statement of Shri M. P. Birla regarding price hike of levy cement

1245. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Telegraph of the 11th July, 1984 (Calcutta) wherein Shri M. P. Birla, Chairman, Birla Jute and Industries Ltd., had given a statement to the effect that Government would raise the price of levy cement; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI PATTABHI RAMA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Cement Manufacturers Association had urged the Government for escalation by Rs. 88.75 due to increase in input costs like coal, power, freight on coal and wages. The Government after a study by the Bureau of Industrial Costs & Prices has allowed an increase of Rs. 40 per tonne only with effect from 18-7-84 together with marginal reduction in levy quota.

Suspension of training to seamen at Naolakhi and Visakhapatnam

1246. SHRI HUSEN DALWAI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have suspended the training which was given to the seamen at Naolakhi and Visakhapatnam on account of recession in the shipping industry;

(b) whether the recession in the shipping industry has adversely affected the future of seafare community; and

(c) if so, what step Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) to (c) As a result of the recession in the Shipping Industry an acute unemployment situation among Indian seamen has arisen. Government set up an Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of Admiral S. M. Nanda (Retired) to go into this question. One of the principal recommendations of this Committee has been, among others, that "no fresh recruitment and training to be resorted to till the trained candidates waiting for placement are fully absorbed." Accepting this recommendation, Government have suspended the pre-sea training in all the three pre-rating training establishments namely T. S. Bhadra, Mekhala and Naulakshi. The position of available jobs and seamen will be reviewed in 1985 and thereafter every year, if necessary.

Science Museum at Nagpur

1247. SHRI S. W. DHABE:
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Council of Science Museum,

Calcutta, has decided to set up a Science Museum at Nagpur; and

(b) if so, when was the decision taken and what are the reasons for not setting it uptill now?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Resentment among house-builders against bye-laws

1248. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a great resentment among the house-builders in Delhi against building bye-laws which came into force in June, 1983;

(b) whether it is a fact that the officials in the Delhi Development Authority interpret these bye-laws to the disadvantage of house-builders.

(c) whether Government propose to withdraw or modify these building bye-laws;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Some representations in regard to these building bye-laws have been received by DDA and MCD.

(b) No.

(c) to (e) There is no such proposal.

D.D.A. project in Rohini

1249. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of WORKS AND HOUSING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a press report which appeared in the 'Hindustan Times' of 27th June, 1984 in which it has been stated that Delhi Development Authority Project 'Rohini' may eventually turn out to be a big slum;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what efforts are being made to implement the project expeditiously; and

(d) the progress so far made in providing water, sewage, roads and electricity facilities for the project as also the progress made in regard to construction work and by when the project is likely to be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS AND IN THE MINISTRY OF WORKS AND HOUSING AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes.

(b) The main thrust of allegations published in the News paper is that the infrastructure required in terms of civic amenities is woefully inadequate under the Rohini Project. The electrification schemes are linked to the targets fixed under Seventh Five-Year Plan and therefore there is bound to be delay in implementation of the schemes. As regards the land allotted to the Registered Cooperative Group Housing Societies, the deadline of four years to complete the construction is unrealistic as they face acute financial difficulties. Further there is no inducements for the